

Appl. No. : 10/735,413
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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Attendees, Date and Type of Interview

The interview was conducted telephonically on March 26, 2008 and attended by:

Examiner Chris Koharski;
Applicant's Representative Andrew M. Douglas (U.S.P.T.O. Reg. No. 51,212); and
Applicant's Representative John F. Heal (U.S.P.T.O. Reg. No. 53,008)

A follow up interview was telephonically conducted on April 3, 2008 and attended by

Examiner Chris Koharski; and
Applicant's Representative John F. Heal (U.S.P.T.O. Reg. No. 53,008)

Identification of Claims Discussed

Claims 1, 6, 11, and 20.

Identification of Prior Art Discussed

Schweich (U.S. Patent No. 5,716,340);
Boussignac (U.S. Patent No. 5,000,734);
Watkins (U.S. Patent No. 3,995,617)

Proposed Amendments

Specific claim amendments were not discussed in the March 26 interview. Proposed amendments to Claims 1, 6, and 20 similar to those present herein were discussed in the April 3 interview.

Principal Arguments and Other Matters

The interviews were in the nature of a discussion various claim language and the disclosure of the prior art. Applicant representatives suggested that Figure 9A of Schweich discloses "containment pockets" for the perfusion of medication directly to location a vessel wall and require that there be no flow in these pockets.

Results of Interview

The Examiner agreed that the amended claims patentably distinguish the prior art.